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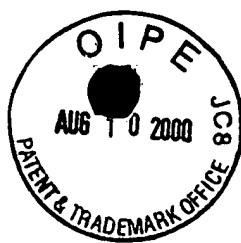
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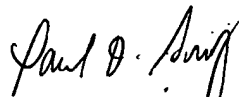
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Enclosed are copies of U.S. Patent Nos.: RE 28,862, 4,431,111, 4,433,597, 4,409,864, 4,564,116, 4,633,740, 4,653,354, 4,679,697, 4,702,130, 4,852,432, 4,864,898, 4,949,600, 4,967,172, 4,967,622, 5,265,501, 5,265,748, and 5,267,494.

It should be understood that attention has been called to the references that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed U.S. patents to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

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